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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 3, 4, 7, and 24-26 are pending.

In response to an objection to the title, the title has been amended to more clearly indicate the invention to which the claims are directed.

Claims 1, 3, 4, 7, and 23-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. Section 102 for allegedly being anticipated by Bergsten (U.S. Pat. No. 6,282,610).

Applicant and the undersigned are grateful for Examiner Nguyen and Examiner Winder for granting a personal interview on December 7, 2005 to discuss the subject matter, to discuss the proposed claim amendments, and for an opportunity to explain how the proposed claim amendments distinguish over Bergsten. Claim 1 and claim 26 are amended as explained during the interview, and are believed to distinguish over Bergsten.

All claims now pending in this Application are believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

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